

**The WV Developmental Disabilities Council
is pleased to announce a 2-day workshop
for the first time in WV!**

**“Supporting People with Multiple/Severe Disabilities to Have
a Meaningful Life During the Day”**

This workshop is designed for anyone (human service workers, family members, advocates, etc.), who is involved in supporting people with severe/multiple disabilities to have a full and meaningful life during the day. The workshop will focus on the following topics:

- Why it is difficult to design and implement supports for people with severe/multiple impairments to have a full, meaningful daytime life;
- What kind of a vision is needed to guide our actions to effectively support people to be active, engaged, and contributive during the day; and
- The value of positive social roles in bringing the vision about.

WHEN: August 10-11, 2011 9:00AM – 5:00PM

WHERE: John XXIII Pastoral Center, 100 Hodges Road, Charleston, WV 25314

PRESENTER: Darcy Elks

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: July 25, 2011

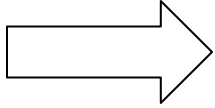
WORKSHOP FEE: \$50

CEUs: 11 Social work CEUs pending.

This workshop will be conducted by Darcy Elks. Darcy has been a human service provider, trainer, consultant, and advocate on behalf of people who are societally devalued for 25 years. She has worked with many people and programs around how to support people who have been devalued and marginalized to have a meaningful day. Darcy is the mother of three children, one of whom has Down Syndrome, and she is very involved in assisting her daughter to be included in school.

Throughout the presentation, examples of both negative and positive program supports will be given. This presentation is intended to provoke thought, help to develop a vision from which to work, inspire positive action, and give some very concrete ideas with which to implement supports. The information in this workshop is helpful in supporting both adults and children to have a meaningful day. The workshop involves a lot of work in small groups.

This is a practical workshop where participants will leave with a vision and plan of action to bring the vision into reality for one person. **It is extremely beneficial for individuals when family members and human service workers, advocates, etc., come together to brainstorm on behalf of a particular person.** Participants will also learn a process that can be taken and used with most planning processes already in place.



REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: _____

AGENCY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

I will be attending as:

___ an individual with a developmental disability (free)

___ a family member of an individual with a developmental disability (free)

___ a service provider

___ an advocate

___ other (please specify) _____

The registration fee for this workshop is \$50.

The WV Developmental Disabilities Council is unable to accept credit card payment.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO COMMUNITY ACCESS, INC.

MAIL checks and registration form to:
WV Developmental Disabilities Council
110 Stockton Street,
Charleston, WV 25387

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